State of Connecticut   DDS

SAFE SWALLOWING TRAIN THE TRAINER EVENT
September 22, 2021, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Webinar

Limited to 2 attendees per agency.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: This training session will equip trainers to present the DDS Safe Swallowing Training curriculum. Safe Swallowing training will teach staff to:

- Recognize signs that may indicate that an individual is experiencing or is at risk for swallowing difficulties
- Understand responsibilities associated with caring for individuals with dysphagia or swallowing risk
- Understand reporting and documentation responsibilities
- Be aware of interventions and treatments that are implemented with individuals who have dysphagia or identified swallowing risks

Debra Fernandez, will present a detailed walk-through of the curriculum and open at the end for a question and answer session.

* Note: If you register and must cancel for any reason, notify us as soon as possible at to allow us to accommodate those on the wait list. Simply send an email to DDS.Training@ct.gov.

TRAINER REQUIREMENTS: Participants must be Speech Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, Physical Therapists or Nurses. *PRIVATE PROVIDERS ONLY* may send Supervisory level residential staff with a minimum of 3 years of experience supporting persons with developmental disabilities, and staff development professionals.

INTERPRETER OR ACCESSIBILITY ACCOMODATIONS: Please indicate in your email if you require Sign Language Interpreter Service or accessibility considerations. DDS must be notified at least **2 weeks prior** to the session in order to accommodate special needs.

CONTACT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Please email: DDS.Training@ct.gov

TO REGISTER: Email **DDS.Training@ct.gov with students name, title, organization, and email contact information.** Spaces will be filled on a first come first served basis. Only those who complete the training successfully, will receive the PowerPoint slides, and other handouts for classes.